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SUBJECT: CODEL HUMPHREY/SCOTT: GIEREK AND OLSZOWSKI COMMENT ON  
POSSIBLE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

REFS: A. WARSAW 4091; B. WARSAW 3904; C. WARSAW 4227

1. DURING CODEL'S JULY 5 MEETINGS WITH FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK AND FOREIGN MINISTER OLSZOWSKI, SENATOR PERCY ASKED ABOUT THE SPECIFIC POLISH GOALS FOR A VISIT TO POLAND BY PRESIDENT FORD.

2. IN HIS REPLY, GIEREK SAID, "WITH REGARD TO PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT TO POLAND, WE WILL HAVE A LOT TO SAY TO EACH OTHER ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, INCLUDING SCIENTIFIC, CULTURAL, AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION. HOWEVER, THE MOST IMPORTANT FACT IS THAT HE WILL COME ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO A COUNTRY RULED ACCORDING TO A DIFFERENT SYSTEM. THIS SHOULD BE AN EXEMPLARY VISIT FOR STRENGTHENING TIES AMONG NATIONS OF DIFFERENT SYSTEMS. WE WILL BE DISCUSSING FUTURE RELATIONS. WITHOUT PREJUDGING THE VISIT, LET US SEE HOW IT DEVELOPS WHEN THE PRESIDENT COMES. THE TALKS WILL NOT ONLY BE ON BILATERAL RELATIONS."

3. THIS COMMENT CAME CLOSE TO THE END OF THE MEETING. AFTER A SUBSEQUENT BRIEF DISCUSSION OF ISRAEL, GIEREK RETURNED TO THE SUBJECT OF A PRESIDENTIAL VISIT. "PLEASE GIVE MY VERY HEARTY GREETINGS TO THE PRESIDENT AND TELL HIM I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HIM SOON. IN HELSINKI, OR HERE  
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BEFORE HELSINKI -- WHAT DO YOU THINK, MR. AMBASSADOR"?

(TURNING TO ME WITH AN OBVIOUS OBLIQUE REFERENCE TO THE APPROACHES MADE BY OLSZOWSKI AND FRELEK ON THE PRESIDENT'S USING POLAND AS AN ACCLIMATIZATION STOP EN ROUTE TO HELSINKI).

4. OLSZOWSKI SAID THAT A VISIT BY PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE "A GREAT EVENT" AND "A FURTHER STEP FORWARD IN OUR RELATIONS". HE SAID THAT IT WOULD HAVE GREAT POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE, REGARDLESS OF WHEN IT TOOK PLACE, AND THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD BE RECEIVED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF POLAND IN A WAY THAT WOULD CONFORM WITH THE GREAT RESPECT"WE HAVE FOR AMERICA AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE." AT ANOTHER POINT, REFERRING OBLIQUELY TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A PRESIDENTIAL VISIT, OLSZOWSKI MENTIONED POLISH INTEREST IN AN INDUSTRIAL-COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH AN AMERICAN FIRM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LIGHT-TRUCK FACTORY IN POLAND. (HE DID NOT MENTION GM OR ANY OTHER SPECIFIC CORPORATION.)  
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